

How It Worked

"Gosh, another dinner party, and at Ruth's!" The oldest son was bored and didn't mind showing it.

"I wouldn't accept," suggested his mother, with sympathy.

"I've got to," he replied, flipping the invitation aside and going on with his dessert.

"If only it weren't at Ruth's commiserated his mother. "Now, Ruth's a nice enough girl, but she's sort of lacking in vim, don't you think?"

"Oh, I wouldn't say that—she's bright enough," defended the son, judiciously. "Of course—"

"But I've heard her parties are sort of dead, and I do think that if a hostess is alive and vivacious her parties are apt to reflect her spirit," interrupted his mother, gently.

"Goodness, it's not Ruth's fault!" exclaimed the son. "If you could see some of the dubs there are in this set! Honestly, some of the girls can't say six consecutive words and make sense. Now Ruth, she's different."

"Well," interrupted his mother, "I'm glad to hear it. Certainly when a girl hasn't any particular style in dressing she needs to have a special amount of gray matter. I was sort of sorry for Ruth. I felt that she lacked taste and didn't make up for it in brains, and that is such a handicap to a girl."

"I don't know where you got your idea," said the son, a very little cool.

"To my mind Ruth's got about as good taste as any one around, which, of course, isn't saying much, and so I'll go a little further and say that I think she's got some nifty style to her."

There was a note of war in his voice. "Well," smiled his mother, "don't grow excited about it. I'm sure Ruth has more taste than people think."

"Great Scott! These talky neighbors make me sick! Always harping on some one way off, so far away that she can't defend herself."

"Dear, I didn't say anybody had talked," meekly suggested his mother. "But when people see a brightly dressed girl like Marguerite, it's natural to compare her with the other girls they see with the same man. When they see you with Ruth they naturally think of Marguerite, and, of course, no one would think of the two in the same breath, as far as dress is concerned. I understand that Marguerite has a certain amount of wit, too."

"Well," receded her son, "it's not that Marguerite doesn't know how to do the togs. But Ruth isn't all for show, at that, either."

"Oh, but I didn't think Marguerite was superficial," exclaimed his mother. "She seemed to me a really sweet girl."

"Women never appreciate values," said her son, patiently. "Now Ruth's got real stuff in her. She likes things around a home, and she knows how to get out a quick lunch when you take her home better than any girl I've been out with."

"But these butterflies—like Marguerite—are often very domestic!" defended his mother. "Just because a girl is pretty and dresses tastefully and all that is no reason why she couldn't build a home. In fact, it's a pretty desirable thing to have a wife who can look nice herself, as well as keep house."

"Gee, I've got to go," the son smiled down at his mother and went upstairs to dress.

"Now where's he going?" wearily sighed the young man's father, who had listened silently.

"To Ruth's," smiled his mother comfortingly, clearing away the dishes. "No not the party tonight—just a call, I guess. I was afraid it would be Marguerite, and I do so want him to fall in love with Ruth."

"Huh?" Her husband looked up at her amazed.

"Ruth's a veritable gem and Marguerite is so common," went on the young man's mother, easily.

"You've a funny way of making him get the idea."

"But it worked, didn't it?" And her husband admitted it had.

All Repented.

A man recently ordered a pair of trousers from his tailor. On trying them on they proved to be a couple of inches too long. It being late on Saturday night the tailor's shop was closed and the man took the trousers to his wife and asked her to cut them and hem them over. The good lady, whose dinner perhaps disagreed with her, brusquely refused. The same result followed on application to the wife's sister and the eldest daughter. But before bed time the wife, repenting, took her husband's trousers, and, cutting off three inches from the legs, hemmed them nicely and restored them to the wardrobe. Half an hour later the daughter, gull of compunction for her unkind conduct, took the trousers and cut off four inches, hemmed and replaced them. Finally the sister-in-law felt the pangs of conscience and she, too, performed an additional surgical operation on the garment. When the man appeared at breakfast on Sunday, the family thought a Highland chief had arrived.

Just Right.

Prospective Buyer—"Yes, I think the horse will suit me—but what age is it?"

Dealer—"What age do you want?" Prospective Buyer—"I don't want it too young and I don't want it too old."

Dealer—"Then it'll just suit you, governor, 'cause this horse is just mid-diaged—say 30 or so."

Give a man a good dinner and he will remain in a good humor for at least an hour.

Let the Children Grow
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MEAT SCRAP FOR HENS

Hens cannot produce eggs profitably on grain alone. The grain ration must be supplemented by protein concentrates. Recent investigations show that the source of protein also influences egg production. That is, protein concentrates of animal and vegetable origin differ in ability to stimulate laying. A series of tests have been conducted at the Missouri station to determine the relative efficiency of animal proteins, represented in experiments with meat scrap and sour milk, and vegetable proteins, represented by oilmeal, gluten meal and cottonseed meal, in rations for egg production. Feeding tests have shown that:

1. Meat scrap and sour milk are the most economical sources of protein for laying hens.
2. It is poor economy not to furnish the laying hen a protein concentrate of animal origin.
3. Vegetable proteins alone cannot be fed economically.
4. Twenty-five per cent meat scrap is a sufficient amount of animal food in a dry mash.
5. There is no evidence that vegetable proteins, alone or in combinations with animal food, increase egg production.
6. One pound of egg can be produced with every four pounds of feed if the proper ration is fed.
7. According to these tests, 100 pounds of sour milk is worth 5.4 pounds of meat scrap.

Average Height of People of the Various Countries

The Germans, as a people, do not constitute the tallest of the nations. According to the report of the Anthropometric committee of the British association (1885), of the nations of the British Isles on the average the Scotch stand first in height, 68.71 inches; the Irish stand second, being 67.90 inches; the English come next, 67.36 inches; and the Welsh last, being 66.68 inches. The committee figured the average height of other nations in inches as follows: American whites, 66.14; French, 66.10; Russians, 66.04. They award the greatest stature to the Polynesian tribes, 69.38 inches, and the lowest stature of any known people to the Bushmen of South Africa, with 52.78 inches.

First Written Almanacs Compiled by the Greeks

The first written almanacs were probably compiled by the Greeks of Alexandria between 100 and 150 A. D. Calendars are much older, the ancient Romans having proclaimed the first of the month, and posted a notice of its occurrence in a public place. The first of the month thus came to be called the Kalends from "I call" or "I proclaim." And thus the word calendar was derived. Probably the oldest calendar in existence was found in the ruins of Pompeii. It was cut upon a square block of marble, upon each side of which three months are registered. The first almanac printed in Europe covered the years 1475, 1494 and 1513, and was published at Buda, Hungary.

SHORT AND SNAPPY

All kinds of useful employment are equally honorable. A fussy man gets in his own way when he is in a hurry. Many proverbs are the wit of one and the wisdom of none. Even the chronic bore can help a busy man by not hindering him. If all mothers did their duty there would be fewer jails in this country.

How is Your Complexion?

A woman should grow more beautiful as she grows older and she will with due regard to baths, diet and exercise, and by keeping her liver and bowels in good working order. If you are haggard and yellow, your eyes losing their lustre and whites becoming yellowish, your flesh flabby, it may be due to indigestion or to a sluggish liver. Chamberlain's Tablets correct these disorders.—adv.

The wings of a prison don't assist the flight of the jailbird.

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Easter Morning
Breakfast Made a
Time of Real Joy

IT WAS my good fortune one time to be visiting in a family where Easter was celebrated in a very pretty fashion. When we came down to the breakfast table in the morning we found it looking so beautiful it seemed a pity to disturb its beauty by the prosaic act of eating. The dining room was a particularly sunny, attractive room to start with, and the beautiful table this morning was set with its usual gay blue and yellow china, but in addition the center of the table held a great mass of yellow daffodils standing in a clear crystal float. For the benefit of the children little yellow ducks and chickens were perched along its edge and at each plate we found one of the flowers for our personal adornment.

Everything we had for breakfast that morning seemed to glow with yellow; the grapefruit had a brighter tinge than usual, the rolls and toast a delicious golden brown; and when our eggs were served each one had been baked in a little yellow ramekin. The whites had been beaten until they puffed up above the cup and tinged a delicate yellow brown in the oven, and nestled in the top of each fluff was the yellow yolk of the egg. At the plate of each child was an attractive yellow basket with a little nest of variegated colored tissue paper—for had not the bunnies been busy during the night leaving eggs around the house for the children to gather in the morning? They could hardly wait to eat their breakfast so eager were they to be off.

Such queer places as these little animals had left the eggs! In the



Hare in Cage.

corners of stuffed chairs, back of table legs, tucked away in the big piano, under sofa cushions, on the mantelpiece, in the fireplace—every spot, in fact, that could be found not too hard for the children to discover.

This is, of course the pretty custom which grew out of the old superstition that if the children of the household were truthful kind and obedient a white hare would come to the home at night and hide colored eggs in odd corners of the house. The egg as we all know is the symbol of the resurrection. Easter day is governed by the moon, and the hare is the ancient symbol or figure of the moon.

There are a number of amusing customs connected with Easter, as with all the other holidays, some of which are familiar to us and others not. We are all of course quite accustomed to the idea of new clothes on Easter, but the people who scorn this fashion and wear theirs a few weeks before or after that day little know of the risk they run of having bad luck the rest of the year. The day used to be known as "Joy Sunday," and there was an old superstition that unless one wore something new on that day bad luck would follow throughout the year. Another belief was that if the wind blew from the east on Easter morning, and if you drew some fresh water and bathed your face and hands it would then be impossible for the east wind to harm you throughout the year.

"Bring Flowers"



Easter Offerings.

Costly Easter offerings are flower-pots of cut glass, silver rimmed, filled with half a dozen tall lilies. The same idea can be carried out economically by choosing a single potted jonquil, hyacinth, tulip or other spring flower and send it in a dainty china or reed jardiniere.

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When an actress has a quarrel with her manager she generally has an understudy to take her part.

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STRANGE ACT OF PET PONY

Frisky Shetland Leaps Thru Window of Stall to Find Some Choice "Eats."

St. Cloud, Fla.—A few nights ago "Cap" Guiter, the cowboy doctor, was awakened by a suspicious noise that came from the direction of his stable. "Cap" leaped from his bed, grabbed his flashlight and went to the stable to investigate. He had left a Shetland pony loose in her stall. The pony is 45 inches high and weighs 450 pounds. There is a window, the bottom sill of which is 3 feet and 6 inches up from the floor of the pony's stall. Under the windows is a feed box 2 feet high and 2 feet wide.

When "Cap" got to the stable, instead of unlocking the main door, he went around and cast the rays of his flashlight thru the window of the pony's stall. Imagine his surprise when he discovered that there was no pony there—and the stable door still locked. A 1 by 4 board that had been nailed across the window had been torn away.

The "cowboy doc" owns several city lots, the nearest one being 150 feet from the stable, but when he looked around he could see nothing of the pony. So he called her by name. "Gypsy, oh, Gypsy, where are you?" he shouted.

The answering neigh and pattering feet of the little animal at once convinced him that she was soon to appear, and she did, rubbing her head affectionately against her master's body.

"Cap" expected to find his pet badly bruised and cut, but barring one little spot on her left hip, about the size of one's thumb nail, where the hair had been scraped off, the pony was entirely unharmed.

In the morning the diminutive tracks found under the window of Gypsy's stall furnished sufficient proof that the pony had obeyed her impulse to "fly the coop" and go grazing for watermelons, fresh lettuce, celery tops, asparagus and other good "eats."

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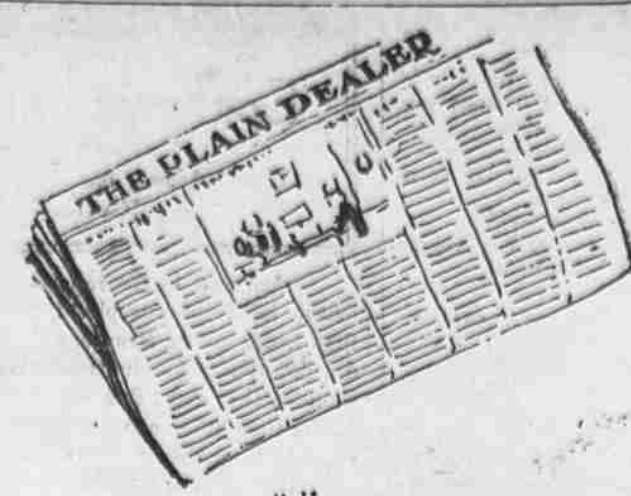
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